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The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of the French Republic and, referring to the Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of France Concerning Payments for Certain Losses Suffered During World War II, done at Washington on January 18, 2001, and the exchange of letters of August 7 and August 10, 2001 relative to the above-mentioned Agreement, has the honor to propose the exchange of letters below concerning:

a modification of the deadline date of July 18, 2002, established by Article 1F2 of Annex B of that agreement, as interpreted by the exchange of letters of August 7 and August 10, 2001.

The Embassy of the United States avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the French Republic the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,
Paris, May 30, 2002.





United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

May 30, 2002

Ambassador Francis Lott
Special Representative for Actions by France
for the Indemnification of Victims of the Shoah
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Republic of France

Mr. Ambassador,

Following discussions which have taken place between the representatives of our two governments on the subject of the deadline date for filing with the Commission for the Compensation of Victims of Spoliation of claims eligible for payment from the fund of \$22.5 million, a date established by Article I.F.2 of Annex B of the Agreement of January 18, 2001 Concerning Payments for Certain Losses Suffered During World War II, and referring to the exchange of letters of August 7 and August 10, 2001.

I have the honor to propose to you the following:

The deadline date set forth in Article I.F.2 of Annex B be changed from July 18, 2002 to January 18, 2003.

If this proposition meets with your agreement, this letter and your letter in response shall constitute the agreement of our two governments on the modification of Article I.F.2 of Annex B of the above-cited Agreement of January 18, 2001, as interpreted by the exchange of letters of August 7 and 10, 2001.

I ask you to accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randolph M. Bell".
Randolph M. Bell
Special Envoy for Holocaust Issues

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Ambassador in charge of actions
undertaken by France for the
indemnification of victims of the Shoah

Paris, 31 May 2002

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M. Ambassador,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of 30 May 2002 through which you propose that the deadline date for filing claims with the Commission for Compensation of Victims of Spoliation, initially fixed as July 18, 2002, in accordance with article IF2 of Annex B of the agreement of January 18, 2001 and as interpreted by the exchange of letters of 7 and 10 August 2001, be postponed until January 18, 2003.

I have the honor to inform you of the assent of my government to this proposal. As a result, the present exchange of letters, which constitutes the agreement of our two governments on this modification, enters into force on this date.

I ask you to accept, Mr. Ambassador, the assurance of my high consideration.

Francis Lott